

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 14-10-02**

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For Work Week Commencing: September 29, 2014
Commission Meeting: October 2, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of September 22, 2014

2. D & M Water Service, Inc. TN2619 (Nickie)

D & M Water Services, Inc., Baker, Montana requests cancellation of PSC No. 3674 effective immediately. Probable Motion: Approve the carrier request to cancel PSC No. 3674.

Class C - Property within the town of Baker, Montana and to or from points tributary thereto, but within a distance not exceeding fifty miles in any direction from said town.

Limitations: Transportation of ashes, trash, waste, refuse, rubbish and garbage is prohibited.

SUB A Class C - Water for oil field operations between points and places in Dawson, Wibaux, Fallon, Prairie, McCone, and Richland Counties, Montana. Limitations: Transportation is authorized for the Shell Oil Company only.

SUB B Class C - Oilfield drilling muds, core barrels, pipe and other miscellaneous oilfield equipment, including machinery and other property in the City of Glendive, Montana (headquarters) and within a radius of 150 miles of Glendive, Montana. Limitations: No authority is granted hereby to haul property which the holder's present equipment is not now capable of hauling, such as, heavy rigs, mud pumps, diesel equipment and caterpillar trucks.

SUB C Class C - Water for oilfield operations between all points and places in Dawson, Wibaux, Fallon, Prairie, McCone and Richland Counties, Montana. Limitations: Transportation is authorized for the account of Shell Western E & P, Inc. and/or its successor in interest.

3. Pass-Through of Fees Levied on Regulated Companies for Funding the Montana Consumer Counsel and Public Service Commission
D2014.9.84 & D2014.9.85 (Dagan)

Sections 69-1-224(4) and 69-1-403(4), MCA, require that the PSC issue orders each year to authorize regulated companies to fully recover in their

rates the fees levied on them for the funding of the Montana Consumer Counsel and the PSC. The state Department of Revenue has notified the PSC that the MCC tax rate on regulated companies' gross operating revenues for the period of October 2014 through September 2015 will be 0.0010 and the PSC tax rate will be .0020. Draft orders have been prepared to authorize regulated companies to recover the fees in their rates. Probable Motion: Move to issue the orders as drafted.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. N2014.7.67 – CenturyLink – Application for Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC Petition for Waiver on IntraLATA Dialing Parity Plan – Discuss/act on CenturyLink's request for Waiver on IntraLATA Dialing Parity Plan. (10/2/14)
2. D2013.11.78 – Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC and CenturyTel of Montana dba CenturyLink (collectively "CenturyLink") – Petition for Waiver of MCA 69-3-805(1)(e) – Act on the request for waiver. (10/2/14)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

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Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2014.9.86 – NorthWestern Energy - Request for authorization to revise Electric Utility Tariff Schedule No. CR-1 - Contingency Reserves, effective October 1, 2014

N2014.9.87 – Energy West Inc. - Notice of Filing Application for Approval of an Interim Increase to its Bank of America Financing Facility